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1. BOTH THESSALONIKI MORNING PAPERS OF AUGUST 30 CONTINUE TO GIVE HEAVY PLAY TO REPORTED IMMINENT FORMATION OF NEW GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL PARTIES.

2. "MAKEDONIA" CARRIES BANNER HEADLINE THAT NEW GOVERNMENT WILL BE SWORN -IN OCTOBER 9. ACCORDING TO "WELL INFORMED POLITICAL CIRCLES", IT IS NOW "TAKEN FOR GRANTED" THAT MARKEZINIS WILL BE PRIME MINISTER AND THAT "AGREEMENT" HAS BEEN REACHED BETWEEN LATTER AND PRESIDENT PAPADOPoulos RE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM, COMPOSITION, DATE FOR SWEARING-IN, AND TIMING OF ELECTIONS. PRESIDENT AND PROSPECTIVE PM WILL MEET AGAIN SEPTEMBER 1 OR 3 RE FINAL DETAILS.

3. "ELLINIKOS VORRAS", ON OTHER HAND, LIMITS COVERAGE TO EARLIER REPORTS ON POSSIBLE PROLIFERATION OF POLITICAL PARTIES. PAPER ALSO REPORTS THAT QUESTION OF RESIGNATION OF FORMER MILITARY OFFICERS FROM CABINET NOW RESOLVED AND INCUMBENTS PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE ROLE IN NEW POLITICAL PARTIES.

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4. IN BRIEF ARTICLE, "VORRAS" CHIEF EDITOR ELIAS KYROU NOTES

"SORROW" OF THESSALONIKI OVER CANCELATION OF PRESIDENT' S VISIT
FOR OPENING OF INTERNATIONAL FAIR (REFTEL) AND COMMENTS THAT
"SERIOUS MATTERS" MUST KEEP HIM IN ATHENS.

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